

Exports are a Significant Portion of Illinois' Economy

- From 2009 through 2012, Illinois exports increased by \$26.5 billion, or 64%, well above the national average of 46%
- Illinois exports totaled over \$68.1 billion in 2012, increasing 5.1% or \$3.3 billion over 2011, exceeding average U.S. export growth for the second consecutive year
- Direct exports accounted for 10% of the Gross State Products (GSP) in 2012
- Illinois is the largest exporting state in the Midwest and the 5th largest exporting state in the U.S.

Top 5 Countries for Illinois Exports in 2012 (in billions)

All Countries	\$68.1 (5.1% growth)
Germany	\$2.7 (6.4% growth)
China	\$4.1 (6.5% growth)
Australia	\$5.4 (44.7% growth)
Mexico	\$6.4 (11.6% growth)
Canada	\$19.4 (0.3% regression)

Top 5 Industries for Illinois Exports in 2012 (in billions)

Machinery, Except Electrical	\$20.2 (13% growth)
Chemicals	\$7.8 (7.3% regression)
Transportation Equipment	\$7.4 (10.4% growth)
 Computers and Electronic Products 	\$6.3 (3% growth)
Agriculture and Related Products	\$6.2 (2.6% growth)
All Industries	\$68.1 (5.1% growth)

Economic Impact of International Tourism in Illinois in 2011

- Illinois welcomed 1,255,000 overseas visitors, ranking Illinois the 8th most popular U.S. state for overseas visitors, with a 4.5% market share
- Chicago welcomed 1,999,000 overseas visitors, and is the 19th most popular U.S. city for overseas visitors, with a 4.3% market share
- Travel expenditures of international visitors reached over \$2.2 billion, directly generating 21,830 Illinois jobs.
- Tax revenue generated from international travelers (federal, state and local) reached \$410.5 million

Sources:

Export Data Source: WISER Origin of Movement Series Foreign Direct Investment Data Source: Dun & Bradstreet Tourism Data Source – The Economic Impact of Travel on Illinois Counties, 2011, U. S. Travel Association; Overseas Travelers to Illinois – 2011; CIC Research and U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, Office of Travel and Tourism Industries

Total Trade between Illinois and Ireland in 2012

- Illinois ranks 8th among the 50 U.S. states for exports to Ireland
- Illinois exports to Ireland totaled nearly \$234.8 million in 2012, a 72.1% increase since 2009
- Illinois ranks 7th among the 50 U.S. states in imports from the Ireland, totaling \$1.3 billion in 2012

Top 5 Industries for Illinois Exports to Ireland in 2012 (in millions)

•	Machinery, Except Electrical	\$52.9 (30.7% regression)
•	Plastics and Rubber Products	\$49.4 (52% growth)
•	Computers and Electronic Products	\$49.7 (33.9% regression)
•	Chemicals	\$31.9 (21% regression)
	Transportation Equipment	\$16.1 (33.5% growth)

Top 5 Industries for Illinois Imports from Ireland in 2012 (in millions)

• Chemicals	\$867.3 (62.5% regression)
Goods Returned to Canada; U.S. Goods	\$317 (12.5% regression)
Computers and Electronic Products	\$53.2 (3.5% regression)
Agriculture and Related Products	\$46.1 (39.3% regression)
Machinery, Except Electrical	\$12.8 (41.3% regression)

Irish Foreign Direct Investment in Illinois

- Illinois ranks #1 in the Midwest as a destination for foreign investment
- Illinois is home to over 2,000 foreign firms that employ more than 350,000 Illinois residents
- Irish firms employ over 6,200 Illinoisans at over 160 different locations

Top 5 Irish Firms with Employment in Illinois

Accenture Public Limited Company	2,317
• CRH PLC	794
Kerry Group PLC	777
Covidien Public Limited Company	610
Ingersoll-Rand Public Limited Company	531

Top 5 Illinois Firms with Employment in Ireland

•	McDonald's Corporation
•	Abbott Laboratories
•	Illinois Tool Works, Inc
•	Aptargroup, Inc
•	Madison Dearborn Partners, LLC98